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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
Peter George Bennett, et al.

Serial No. 10/706,784

Serial November 12, 2003

For: COLLAPSIBLE FLEXIBLE PIPE
AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING SAME

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Examiner: Unknown

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed modified Form PTO-1449. No inference should be made that the cited references are in fact material, are in fact prior art, or that no better art exists. The cited patents are listed in numerical order and are not in any order based on their pertinence.

The above-identified application was filed after June 30, 2003. Therefore, pursuant to the waiver of the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i) as stated in a Pre-OG Notice dated July 11, 2003, copies of only the foreign patent documents and non-patent literature listed on the enclosed modified Form PTO-1449 are attached.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the United States filing date or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No certification or fee is required (37 CFR §1.97(b)).

It is requested that the Examiner fully consider the cited references and that they be cited on the front of any patent issuing from this application.

An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-1394.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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